

## Town of Kingston Springs - City Commission Minutes

- 1 Mayor Corlew called the May 17, 2007 Kingston Springs City Commission meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

### Roll Call:

Laurie Cooper	Present
Gary Corlew	Present
Larry Craig	Present
Ray Crouch, Sr.	Present
Debbie Finch	Present
Pam Lorenz	Present
Chuck Sleighter	Present
Richard Swafford	Present

- 2 The City Commission minutes for the April 19, 2007 meeting have been circulated.

### Corrections to the minutes:

There were no corrections.

### Motion to Approve:

Commissioner Lorenz

### Second:

Commissioner Sleighter

### Those in favor of the motion:

Corlew, Crouch, Lorenz, Sleighter, Swafford

### The motion passed / failed:

The motion passed.

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### 3 Commissioners announcements:

- Commissioner Sleighter stated that everyone is extremely pleased with the job that Brandy is doing with the soccer leagues.

### 4 Community Input:

- Gary Binkley, Director of the Chamber of Commerce stated that the chamber had new maps that were free.

Mr. Binkley also asked that the roads that were under construction be watered down to help with the dust.

Mr. Binkley asked the commission to consider directional signs to help businesses such as Cliff View Golf Course.

- John McElroy thanked the city and staff for the city wide yard sale, it was a great event.

### 5 The department reports were circulated:

Motion to approve as circulated:

Commissioner Sleighter

Second:

Commissioner Crouch

Discussion:

Mrs. Cooper stated that the Community Picnic will be Monday, May 28th from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm and that the ribbon cutting on the new trail would be at 9:00 am.

Those in favor of the motion:

Corlew, Crouch, Lorenz, Sleighter, Swafford

Those opposed to the motion:

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The motion passed / failed:

The motion passed.

### **6 Update by the City Manager:**

- **Mrs. Cooper stated that we were in the waiting mode on the election date.**

**Mr. Craig stated that it was highly unlikely that this will pass.**

**Commissioner Lorenz suggested that they wait until the June meeting to take any action.**

- **Mrs. Cooper stated that Cheatham County hosted Middle TN Leadership. They had great weather and the group was very impressed with the county.**

### **7 Old Business:**

#### **7A Request from Ron Miller for refund on sewer fees:**

##### **Motion:**

**Commissioner Sleighter made a motion to refund \$1,015.35 to Mr. Miller.**

##### **Second:**

**Commissioner Lorenz**

##### **Discussion:**

**Mrs. Cooper stated that TN Code 28-3.302 states that 36 months is all your allowed to refund.**

##### **Those in favor of the motion:**

**Corlew, Crouch, Lorenz, Sleighter, Swafford**

##### **Those opposed to the motion:**

The motion passed / failed:

The motion passed.

#### **7B Discussion on abandonment of alley between West Kingston Springs Road and Hillman Street, behind the Church of Christ and Library:**

- **Mrs. Cooper stated that Mary J. Patten was absolutely against closing the alley behind her house.**
- **Commissioner Crouch stated that the board would wait for the Methodist Church to turn in the survey and move on from there. The board is in favor of closing the rest of the alley.**

**8 New Business:**

**8A First Reading of Ordinance 07-001 - 2007-2008 Budget**

**Motion:**

Commissioner Sleighter made the motion to approve the budget on first reading. Total available funds are \$1,797,137.00. Total Expenditures are \$1,746,830.00 with an ending fund balance of \$50,307.00.

**Second:**

Mayor Corlew

**Discussion:**

Commissioner Swafford stated that he knew the board needed to raise taxes but wished they would reconsider due to the new appraisals.

**Those in favor of the motion:**

Corlew, Crouch, Lorenz, Sleighter

**Those opposed to the motion:**

Swafford

**The motion passed / failed:**

The motion passed.

A public hearing was set for June 21, 2007 at 7:00 pm.

**8B Sewer replacement/repairs - request for the board to authorize non-competitive contracts:**

Mrs. Cooper stated that during the replacement of water lines it was discovered that there were major sewer leaks where pipes and man holes had deteriorated. Mrs. Cooper met with the city engineers and an estimated cost of repairs is \$300,000 including engineer fees and contingencies. Sealed bids would take weeks and the town could use Civil who is on site, which would be cost effective. The board can waive the bidding process in a case of an emergency according to the towns charter 5-403.

**Motion:**

Commissioner Crouch made a motion to declare an emergency due to public health issues, future cost and that it is in the best interest of the town. Also to allow the city manager to accept the lowest bid as long as the engineers feel the bid is reasonable but not to take sealed bids.

**Second:**

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### Commissioner Swafford

#### Discussion:

Mrs. Cooper stated that funding was being solicited. TML Bond Fund had 4.9% on principal and interest, Heritage bank had 5.1% interest only and she was waiting on a response from Community Bank and Trust.

#### Those in favor of the motion:

Corlew, Crouch, Lorenz, Sleighter, Swafford

#### Those opposed to the motion:

#### The motion passed / failed:

The motion passed.

#### 8C Sign Ordinance: Amend for electronic signage:

- Mrs. Cooper stated that Sonic and Mapco had inquired about LED signs.
- City Attorney, Larry Craig stated that towns sign ordinance allows type face put does not say if can be LED. It does state that flashing is not allowed. We need to deal with the language and say it is or is not allowed. Some things to think about are in his opinion video's, blinking or strolling every 2 or 3 seconds is a distraction and not pretty also is it an economic benefit to the business, therefore a benefit to the town in sales tax.
- Commissioner Crouch stated that his opinion was that the type face must remain fixed for 10 seconds and that every business should be able to have a sign within the sign ordinance. He feels that animation should not be allowed and that LED signs should be limited to the interstate area.
- Mr. Craig will bring back an amendment next month.

#### 8D Discussion - Temporary Storage Regulations:

- Commissioner Crouch stated that the board needed to think carefully regarding construction permits vs. storage and moving.
- Attorney, Craig stated that the board should look a residential only.
- Commissioner Lorenz questioned policing the permits.
- The board needed time to think about the issues and it will be brought back up next month.

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### 9 Planning Commission Update:

Mrs. Cooper stated that a commercial building was approved on Moore's Circle, a pre-concept planned unit condos were discussed (88 units) and discussion on changing zoning from residential to commercial on

### 10 Other:

- Mrs. Cooper stated that public works was spraying calcium to try and help with the dust on the road construction and that is seems to be helping.

Mrs. Cooper stated that the comptroller had approved the towns audit and that we had another clean audit.

Mrs. Cooper requested approval from the board to amend the budget to cover the exceeded cost of the park pavilion. The approximate overage is \$1,300.

#### Motion:

Commissioner Crouch made a motion to approve the exceeded cost.

#### Second:

Commissioner Sleighter

#### Those in favor of the motion:

Corlew, Crouch, Lorenz, Sleighter, Swafford

#### Those opposed to the motion:

The motion passed / failed:

The motion passed.

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- 11 **Motion to adjourn:**  
**Commissioner Sleighter**

**Second:**  
**Commissioner Crouch**

**The meeting is adjourned at 8:21 PM by Mayor Corlew.**

- 12 **Signatures:**

**Mayor, Gary Corlew \_\_\_\_\_**

**Recorder, Debbie K. Finch \_\_\_\_\_**